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A FUNDAMENTAL CONFLICT U.N.O. Dispute Between East And West Blocs

Breach Appears To Be Widening

(By John Parris)

New York, Oct. 31.

The United Nations stands in the middle of a fundamental conflict between the world's major powers. This conflict is mainly between Russia on the one hand and the United States and Britain on the other. It is a conflict between the East and the West.

The conflict is over the kind of a world the various nations want. It is over the rights of states and the rights of man himself. It also extends to relationships between the large powers and the small.

It involves the relationships of some groupings of powers to other groupings of powers—sometimes called spheres of influence and blocs.

The conflict, over the kind of world some nations want was emphasized by V. M. Molotov, Russian Foreign Minister, in his Tuesday speech to the United Nations assembly.

He declared the clash and struggle between two policies—cooperation and domination. Molotov insists no one power or two powers should try to dominate the world.

But at the same time he insists on the five major powers having certain rights within the United Nations which the other member states should not have.

Veto Power

One of these rights—the principal one—is the right of veto which is based on the theory that unanimity among the big five powers is necessary to the success of the United Nations.

"Unanimity of the five major powers," he declared, "is a guarantee of the United Nations as a whole."

The conflict between the East and West was spotlighted in the Paris peace conference in attempts to write treaties for the defeated countries.

Breach Widens

It centred on what the peace conference delegates on both sides charged were moves to gain a dominant position.

Russia, Britain and the United States were able to reach unanimity on some of the peace problems. But on the major ones the breach appeared to widen.

Molotov came away from the Paris Conference with the declaration he was not satisfied with some of the recommendations.

The four power Foreign Ministers will go into session in New York next week in an effort to reach an agreement on their peace treaty differences.

Meanwhile the general trend of those differences has been transferred to the United Nations.

Flap At Renfrew Airport

Renfrew, Oct. 30.

The evacuation of Renfrew airport was carried through today when a 2,500-pound bomb, dropped in 1941, for which Royal Air Force disposal parties have been digging near the main hangar, was reported to be ticking.

Warnings were given by handbells, whistles and loud-speaker announcements and over 300 employees hurriedly left the danger zone.

Lunch was about to be served in the canteen, but the kitchen staff put out the heating apparatus and left everything. Planes using the airport on normal services have been briefed for some time on action to be taken in the event of such an emergency and wireless messages were sent to divert services back to Prestwick.

Later, an emergency landing strip was in operation on the outskirts of the airport. One plane landed.

The police cordoned off the danger area and nearby factories and some farmhouses were cleared.—Reuter.

A DENIAL

Nanking, Oct. 31.
Foreign Office spokesman George Yeh today denied reports that Chinese officials recently flew to Dairen to consult with the Soviets. He said: "There is no indication that the Russians might contribute military advisers to China."—Associated Press.

"Suicide" To Stop Making The Things

New York, Oct. 31.
Bernard Baruch, United States delegate to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, said today that it would be "suicide" for the United States to stop manufacturing atom bombs, unless other nations pledged like action.

Urging the formation of an international atomic agency to prevent the use of atomic energy for war, Baruch told the "Herald Tribune" that "it is necessary through an international atomic agency to begin at the raw materials and to use every device of control, including licensing, inspection, accounting operation, and management as protective measures."

"When all this is agreed upon by treaty in the final form, all our knowledge on how the stock of bombs and raw materials will be turned over or disposed of in accordance with the treaty which, of course, must be ratified under the constitutional processes of each nation."

"Once the treaty comes to life, there can be no veto against daily operations of the international agency and no veto on swift punishment of offenders."

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Baruch said that the United States "has no ulterior motive but a genuine desire to serve the world and in so doing serve itself."

NO PUBLICITY FOR GOERING

Berlin, Oct. 31.

The Allied Control Council for Germany today announced its unanimous decision that Goering's suicide letters should not be made public.

A reliable source said the four military governors felt Goering wrote the letters in his cell with intent that they be published and he "could make propaganda and try some legend-building with them."—Associated Press.

Lived On Barnacle Soup

Sydney, Oct. 31.

James Cush, a Norwegian seaman, said today that barnacle soup kept him alive during his 119 days adrift at sea while his three companions died.

Cush and his companions had set out from New South Wales on June 10 on a coastal fishing trip but they ran out of gasoline and lost the sails of their 45-foot auxiliary launch.

Cush said they speared fish, collected barnacles off the boat's side and caught rainwater. He estimated that the boat drifted 1,100 miles before it was wrecked on the Isle of Pines near New Caledonia.

There the French police took him to U.S. Camp Barnes Hospital where he told his story.—Associated Press.

Gun Battle On Praya

Another running gun battle between Police and armed robbers occurred early yesterday morning at Connaught Road West near the Tung Shan Hotel, resulting in the death of a pedestrian and serious injuries to two others.

Police under Detective Sub-Inspector Wilcox and Chinese Sub-Inspector Lam Yung-hon, on information proceeded to the Praya at about midnight.

After remaining there until the early hours yesterday, a young couple was held up by seven or eight men dressed in Chinese clothing. When the Police challenged the hoodlums to halt, one of them opened fire.

The Police returned the fire and the battle continued for over 20 minutes, resulting in the death of a pedestrian and injuries to two others.

Two men have been detained by the Police.

LAND REFORM IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Oct. 30.

The revised Land Reform Bill, passed by the Diet on Oct. 11, will be promulgated on Nov. 5, with effect from that day. It was decided at a meeting of the Japanese Cabinet today.

The creation of small-holdings will be deferred pending collection by the Ministries of Agriculture and Forestry of regulations which will provide for farm commissioners—to be selected early in December—to approve transfers of cultivation rights. When the regulations have been completed the way will be open for 2,000,000 tenant farmers to purchase the land they cultivate.—Reuter.

LABOUR TO BE TESTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

London, Oct. 30.

Nearly four thousand candidates are taking part on Friday in the municipal elections throughout England and Wales, which will decide the political control for another year of more than 200 England boroughs.

Questions On Hong Kong

London, Oct. 31.

Hong Kong affairs were touched upon in the House of Commons today when the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, stated that he expected to receive the Governor of Hong Kong's recommendation on affairs in the Colony in the near future.

Answering Lieut. Colonel Rees William (Labour), who asked what arrangements were being made to give the inhabitants a full and more responsible share in the management of affairs in the Colony, Mr. Creech Jones said that the Governor of Hong Kong had been instructed to examine the whole question in consultation with representatives of all sections of the community and to submit a report at an early date, bearing in mind the policy of the British Government that the constitution should be revised on a more liberal basis as soon as possible.—Reuter.

MEDIATORS GIVE UP

Nanking, Oct. 31.

Complete failure in their efforts to reconcile the Government and the Communists was admitted in an official communiqué this morning by third party leaders, who stated that they are abandoning their attempts to reach a settlement.

They added that future negotiations must be carried on directly between the opposing factions.—Reuter.

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SEAC TO BE REORGANISED?

Singapore, Oct. 30.

Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten today expressed approval of the plan—reported unofficially here—to re-organise South East Asia Command into a smaller and more compact administration. The unofficial report stated that the old South East Asia Command was to be superseded by a centralised British Command, incorporating the forces in Ceylon, Burma, Malaya, Hong Kong and Japan.

Lord Louis said he did not know whether any decision to this effect had been taken in London, but such a plan was what he had always hoped for and what he had recommended to the Chiefs-of-Staff on returning from Singapore.—Reuter.

Woking H.Q. Of Jewel Thieves

London, Oct. 31.

Scotland Yard forged its first break in the spreading wave of jewel robberies with the arrest of a man and a woman who were charged with robbing earrings and bracelets of Princess Hilda of Bavaria.

Spiro Constantinidis, Commercial Counsellor of the Greek Embassy, reported the loss of \$7,000 worth of furs, jewellery, wines and whisky in another robbery which remained unsolved.

The Yard said the thieves were arrested at Woking, London suburb, suspected as headquarters for the jewel thieves gang.—Associated Press.

Kowloon Incident Demands

A decision to ask the Central Government in Nanking to lodge a strong protest with the British Government for compensation for the hawk killed in Kowloon, to demand an apology from the Hong Kong Government and an assurance that no such incident will occur in the future, was made at a meeting of public bodies sponsored by the Provisional Political Council of Canton held last night, says Central News.

The meeting also decided to urge the Central Government to negotiate with the British Government for the return of Kowloon to China.

A manifesto was issued after the meeting, appealing for general support to its resolutions.

The Council and public bodies in Canton will organise a party to visit Kowloon to gather facts in connection with the "hawk incident," the report adds.

CHINESE WARSHIPS IN ACTION

Nanking, Oct. 31.

While units of the Government fleet went into action in the Gulf of Chilli and sank several barges transporting Communist reinforcements from South Manchuria to the Chefoo area, Communist forces in North Shantung launched a diversionary counter-offensive, according to the Chinese press.

Very severe fighting is raging in the Kiamo sector, about 35 miles Northwest of Tsingtau, where the Communists are said to have thrown in 50,000 battle-tested veterans recently landed from Manchuria as well as several brigades of militia.—Reuter.

LOANS WANTED

Washington, Oct. 30.

Peru has applied to the International Bank for a \$250,000,000 loan and The Netherlands intends to apply for a loan of \$500,000,000. It was announced here today.

Peru has requested a loan for expenditures over a five to seven-year period in connection with reconstruction and development for raising the standard of living and improving health and welfare services.—Reuter.

HUMAN MACHINES FOR HONG KONG

(By Margaret Bradbury)

A series of "human" machines weighing over one and a half tons, have now arrived in Hong Kong by sea from England to help remedy the labour shortage in Government departments. The only apparatus of its kind east of Rangoon, the machines—which calculate, arrange names in alphabetical order, do "punch card" accounting and all kinds of statistical work—can only be operated by trained workers.

Five of the machines are here, another one is due to arrive shortly when a number of Government office personnel will learn how to use them. The minimum length of time for a trainee to become efficient in the use of the equipment is six months.

Known as "Holleriths," the machines are powered by electricity and are used in England by large modern business firms and public utilities. During the war they were employed in ordnance factories, and in the main their operators in England are young women, who, I was told, seem to adapt themselves more quickly than men to this kind of work.

In I. And E. Department

In the Imports and Exports Department yesterday afternoon I watched one of the machines give a trial demonstration of verifying figure additions and selecting certain types of punch holed cards.

There is little noise attached to their working apart from a smother hum as the electric current is supplied, and the machines themselves are encased in neat grey-black metal cases.

Their first actual job here will be to index the present economic situation of the Colony and work will probably begin in the Import and Export section. Present functions of the department are of the kind which call for a large amount of statistical work. They include revenue functions, administration of the Dangerous Drugs ordinance, issue of import and export licences and the supplying of trade information to overseas countries on the commercial requirements and activities of the Colony.

General Enver Hoxha, Albanian Premier, has protested by telegram to Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, against the alleged entry of four British naval vessels into Albanian waters on Oct. 22.

It was authoritatively stated here today that though the Corfu Channel, to which the Albanian complaint is believed to refer, is too narrow to permit passage of its whole length without entering the territorial waters of the neighbouring states, it has always been considered in international law to be a "highway of international traffic."

This means that international shipping has always been accorded the right of "innocent passage."

Oct. 22 was the date on which the British destroyers Saumarez and Volage struck mines in the Corfu Channel.—Reuter.

Japan Was Mobilising In September

(By Frank White)

Tokyo, Oct. 31.

As early as Sept. 12, 1941 Japan began mobilising her troops which were to take part in attacks on United States, British and Netherlands possessions, and by Oct. 10 units were preparing for landing operations, according to captured diaries of Japanese soldiers introduced as evidence before the International Military Tribunal today, through an intelligence report prepared by General MacArthur's staff.

The decision to admit the report, titled "Japan's decision to fight," was for its "factual contents and not for its comments and conclusions," announced Tribunal President Sir William Webb in overruling defence objections on grounds that it was prepared in the office of a person who will have power to review any sentences imposed by the Tribunal on ex-Premier Tojo and 26 other Japanese leaders on trial.

The defence objected that the intelligence report gathered by the Tribunal from a variety of sources does not give the defence a chance to cross-examine either those who compiled it or persons whose statements are quoted in it.

The first concrete evidence of Japan's military preparations cited by the intelligence document was from a "report on conditions" by the commander of a Japanese unit in the Palau islands. The report stated that his unit mobilised on Sept. 12, 1941 sailed from Osaka on Oct. 1 and reached Palau on Nov. 10, and immediately began "preparations for landing operations which were to accompany the War for Greater East Asia."

(The Japanese from Palau participated in the southern Philippine landings.)

Also quoted were excerpts from a diary by "an unknown member" of the Japanese 41st Infantry regiment stating that the unit began jungle warfare training on Nov. 4 received rations and clothing for the tropic on Nov. 13 and on Nov.

FRANCO-ITALIAN TALKS

Paris, Oct. 31.

France will surrender her claims to Italian property ceded her in the draft peace treaty if the negotiations now going on in Rome are satisfactorily concluded, a spokesman of the French Foreign Office told Reuter today.

In compensation the Italian Government would undertake to subsidize families of 20,000 Italian workers placed at France's disposal last February and who have already started arriving to work in French coal mines, he added.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

A moderate anticyclone is stationary over China and another is moving into the Pacific to the north-east of Japan. The northern depression is moving east to the north of Korea and a shallow disturbance appears to be developing to the south of Honshu. Pressure is low to the south of the Carolines.

Today's forecast: Moderate east and north-east winds; fair rather warm.

Yesterday's weather: Maximum: 81.1 deg. Fah. Minimum: 63.2 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 30.6 hours. Rainfall: Nil.

Max. Rel. Humidity: 89%.

ARCULLI GETS THREE YEARS HARD LABOUR

Fakir Mohammed el Arculli, 41, journalist, was found guilty on one of the remaining three charges against him under the Defence Regulations at the Supreme Court when the case concluded before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Blackall, yesterday, and was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

The jury retired for 50 minutes to return with a verdict of guilty by a 6-1 majority on the first charge, that of having acted as an informer to a member of the Tokku Branch of the Japanese Gendarmerie. Verdicts of Not Guilty, also by a majority of 6-1, were returned on the other two charges.

Before submitting his plea in mitigation, Mr. A. P. Rajah, Counsel for the Defence, called to the witness-box Mr. Henry Ching, editor of the "South China Morning Post," who, in a short statement on oath, said that he had known Arculli for many years, had been imprisoned together with him in the Eastern Gendarmerie, and would say that Arculli was unstable in character but was not pro-Japanese.

Mr. Ching said that Arculli had worked on various newspapers and had worked for him at odd times. He had played cricket with Arculli and would say that he represented a queer mixture of character. Never at any time, however, had he had reason to regard him otherwise than as a local Indian boy or British in his character as any other local Indian boy in Hong Kong.

Not Pro-Jap

He was imprisoned together with Arculli in the Eastern Gendarmerie between February and April, 1943, where he spoke to him freely with the other prisoners to the extent, it would be fair to say, that they left their safety in Arculli's hands.

In answer to a question from the Chief Justice, Mr. Ching said he did not think there was anything specific of a serious nature that Arculli could have informed on in connection with his case.

Most people who knew Arculli, Mr. Ching continued, would agree that he was unstable in character but they would not accuse him of being pro-Japanese.

Mr. Rajah, if Arculli were to be acquitted today would you be glad to shake his hand?—I would be willing to.

Mr. Ching continued to say that he considered Arculli the type of man he would like to have behind him in a fight.

Mr. Rajah: You mean you would be willing to shake his hand because you believe that he would not do anything against the British?—Yes.

Not Traitor

In his plea in mitigation of sentence, Mr. Rajah said that he would make the unusual plea that in considering sentence to be passed His Lordship would take into consideration the time that Arculli had already spent under detention at Stanley, which was a little over a year, and would consider also the fact that Arculli was in a group of some 50 Indians arrested for questioning by the Japanese in May, 1945, and detained until the surrender in the middle of August.

Liberation was as joyful a day for Arculli as for any of the other prisoners, Mr. Rajah said, because there was no certainty that the outcome of the Japanese investigation would not have led to serious consequences for many of them, among them Arculli.

"Accused is a fool, even a knave, but not a traitor to his country or the British Crown," Mr. Rajah concluded.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, after passing of sentence, asked His Lordship to make it clear from what date sentence was to commence.

His Lordship replied that it was not necessary to remind him of this and that sentence was to date from the commencement of the October Sessions.

Defence Witness

Giving evidence on behalf of the defence, Mr. Wai Po-cheung, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, stated that he had known Arculli for over 20 years. He met Arculli during the occupation in Stanley prison in 1943.

In the summer of 1944 he met Arculli some time after his (Arculli's) release. Arculli told him that he had been approached by a Gendarme and another Japanese and urged to become an informer.

Later Arculli came to him for advice and they discussed the possibility of escape to Macao. Arculli decided that he would pretend to agree with the Gendarme.

A few weeks later witness saw Arculli in the distance under the escort of a Japanese or Chinese going to Yeung Wo Hospital.

A week later witness again saw Arculli who told him that he had been released. Questioned about his visit to the hospital Arculli explained that he had pretended illness to get out of detention.

Arculli appeared to be at liberty early in 1945 but to the best of his knowledge he was under arrest till the surrender.

During the occupation witness said that he had been helping inmates with medicine, food, and correspondence by secret, and illegal means. Arculli knew of this and he himself did so occasionally.

If found out the Japanese would have taken a serious view of this. Arculli could have given him away if he wanted to but never did.

Arculli had told him that he avoided doing what the Japanese wanted by either going too early or too late to an appointment or by going to the wrong address.

Defence Closing

Earlier, addressing the jury on behalf of Arculli, Mr. Rajah said that the defence not only had raised a reasonable doubt but also had proved complete innocence.

To satisfy the jury, Mr. Rajah said, the Crown first of all must prove that accused did have the intention of assisting the enemy. Was there any evidence brought before the jury by the Crown?

He declared the Crown had completely failed to produce any.

Not only had accused no such intention, accused had in fact led the Japanese to spend a few valuable months hopelessly chasing after shadows instead of making these few months useful in getting the real information and Allied agents that they desired.

With the exception of Dr. Tseng, no one among the Crown witnesses had shown any indication

that they were persons engaged in activities which would directly or indirectly assist the Allied war efforts. In fact, Mr. Rajah stressed, everyone of them except Dr. Tseng had personally denied being an Allied agent when testifying.

Not Time For Speaking

The only evidence the Crown had induced in the case of Denis Victor was his own words in saying that while in the cell he heard Dr. Tseng say to him: "I'm sorry, Victor. I think you are here because of me." But on the other hand, Mr. Rajah asserted, Dr. Tseng himself did not give such a statement in the witness box.

Mr. Rajah requested the jury to ask themselves whether Dr. Tseng would be so foolish as to speak to Victor in a mixed cell that time—Dec. 1944—when nobody wanted to speak, not even to his best friend, and when everybody was suspicious of each other. It was a time when the less one spoke the healthier one would be.

If accused had desired, as the Crown alleged, to extract information from the Japanese on Dr. Tseng's work, why should Arculli have not directly dealt with Dr. Tseng?

Mr. Rajah requested the jury to take into careful consideration George Tanaka's evidence: "I met Arculli between Dec. 1 and 7, 1944, in front of the Hong Kong Hotel." Arculli told me that Kawamoto had arrested a number of suspects and wanted him to go into the cell to overhear their conversations because he (Kawamoto) had failed to get anything out of them."

Date Of Meeting

In this connection, Mr. Rajah said, accused did not deny meeting and telling Tanaka of this, but he did deny the date. Arculli said it took place on Dec. 12.

As to evidence given by the arrested persons, it was established that they were arrested on Dec. 7 or 8. At that time, Arculli was nowhere near the cell; he went in on Dec. 12.

This was corroborated by Tanaka's words that Kawamoto had arrested a number of suspects, but that he had failed to get anything out of them. If the meeting were before Dec. 8, Mr. Rajah submitted, Tanaka's evidence would have been that the suspects were going to be arrested.

From this, Mr. Rajah said, the allegation of the Crown witnesses that Arculli was in the cell on Dec. 7 could not possibly be correct. If Arculli was not in the cell before Dec. 12, he asked, how could Arculli try to persuade Victor and Ho to divulge information between Dec. 7 and 12?

Dealing with accused's state of mind at that time, Mr. Rajah said Arculli could not have been then anti-British. The war outcome was written clearly on the wall. Everyone knew about it, even some Japanese knew it.

Main Factors

In conclusion, Mr. Rajah begged the jury to consider the three main factors, namely whether the persons alleged to have been persuaded were Allied agents, whether accused had any intention of assisting the enemy and whether his acts had assisted the enemy or not?

In answering these points, Mr. Rajah said that there was no evidence that either Victor or Ho were Allied agents, there was ample evidence before the Court that accused had no such intention whatsoever, and none of accused's acts had assisted the Japanese war effort nor harmed the Allied war effort.

Dealing with accused's remaining in the Colony after being

threatened by Kawamoto through Noma to work for him, Mr. Rajah asked the jury to consider was it possible for accused, whose colour clearly showed his nationality, to escape from Stanley and leave Hong Kong with his Chinese wife and three children behind?

The escape of any Indian from Stanley or from the Colony was just as difficult as for a Briton or white man.

In his address to the jury Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, requested them to consider his three main points. Firstly, the evidence of all the Crown witnesses in one way or other conflicted with that of accused's.

Intention And Motive

Secondly, the Crown had shown that the special acts laid in the indictment were actually committed by accused who had tried to persuade them to talk. Some distinction must be drawn between intention and motive. One's intention could be shown by the natural consequence of the acts, while the motive was a thing such as greediness and fear of death which drove one to do acts.

Mr. Lonsdale drew a distinction between acts actually assisting the enemy and acts actually assisting the enemy.

All the Crown had to do was to show that accused's acts were likely to, assist the enemy. In this connection, Mr. Lonsdale said, it was immaterial whether the persons interrogated were Allied agents or not. Accused had said that he knew nothing of them, but the Japanese believed them to be Allied agents and arrested them as such.

Any information accused might get from them might assist the Japanese irrespective of whether it was against the Allied war effort or whether in fact it did help the Japanese to detect these agents, Mr. Lonsdale added.

Dealing with the question of duress, Mr. Lonsdale said, the Defence had not even shown a threat of death, injury or harm. On the other hand, Mr. Lonsdale concluded, there was evidence that those who were interested in escaping from the Colony were able to do so.

Summing Up

Summing up, Sir Henry said from all the evidence only Dr. Tseng was an Allied agent among the group arrested by the Japanese. There was no evidence that any attempt was made by accused to get information from Dr. Tseng.

The whole point was whether accused had actually assisted the enemy or not.

The Defence did not deny accused had worked for the Japanese, but claimed that he did it under threat and in fact he had "played ball" with the Japanese. On the face of it there was not much effort by accused to leave Hong Kong, though he claimed he did try and was not able to do so on account of his Chinese wife and three children. In his opinion, Sir Henry said, it would not be more difficult for a Chinese woman and three children to leave the Colony than the accused.

Sir Henry directed the jury to ask themselves whether they were satisfied with the Crown's evidence that accused had assisted the enemy or with accused's claim that his intention was to "play ball" with the Japanese.

If the jury were satisfied with the Crown evidence, His Lordship concluded, they should find accused guilty, whereas if they were satisfied with accused's claim they should acquit him.

NOTICE

At the suggestion of the Unofficial Members of the Executive Council and Legislative Council a dinner has been arranged in order to afford the community of Hong Kong an opportunity to pay a tribute to His Excellency Major General Festing, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., and the Hon. Mr. C. H. Sansom, C.M.G., C.B.E., in view of their pending departure from the Colony.

The dinner will be held at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Saturday 3rd November at 8 p.m. His Excellency The Governor has intimated his intention to be present.

Any member of the community who desires to attend should apply to any one of the following on or before Thursday, 7th November 1946:—

The Hon. Dr. S. N. Chai, China Building.

The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, e Castro, Prince's Building.

Mr. M. F. Key, Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. D. Ruttenjee, Duddell Street.

WARNING

On Monday, November 4th, the work of clearing Japanese ammunition and explosives from the old disused tunnels off Arxley Street, Kowloon, will be commenced by the Military Authorities. This work will continue daily between 8.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays and between 8.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Saturdays.

Although it is considered that there is little likelihood at present of an explosion, the vicinity of these tunnels must be regarded as a danger area. The danger area has been marked by notice boards erected on the public roads in the neighbourhood. All persons who enter this danger area do so at their own risk.

If at any time it is considered by the competent authorities that the likelihood of an explosion has increased the danger area will be closed by public notices.

V. KENNIEF, Director of Public Works.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that kerosene tins for use as dustbins are available for sale to members of the public who are house-holders.

Applicants are requested to tender \$1.50 to the Treasury, Prince's Building, ground floor, and obtain a receipt which may be exchanged for a dustbin at one of the following offices:

Central District Office, Central Market, Top Floor.

Eastern District Office, Queen's Road, East.

Western District Office, Pokfulam Road.

Kowloon Disinfecting Station, Kwong Wah Street.

Hongkong, 28th October, 1946. Urban Council Office.

NOTICE

Mr. A. H. Bato, Chartered and Registered Architect, Surveyor and Engineer, A.M.I.E.A., 31, St. Paul Street, 1st Floor, has resumed his practice at Prince's Building, 3rd floor, Room No. 317, 1st House Street. Tel. 23533.

1st November 1946.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAYS, BRITISH SECTION.

JOINT RAILWAYS TENDER BOARD.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in TRIPLICATE which should be clearly marked "Tender for Erection of Railway Wagons" will be received at the offices of the Kowloon Canton Railway, British Section, until noon of Friday, 15th November, 1946.

The wagons which will be required to be assembled on railway tracks at Hung Hom consist of the following types:—

127 40-ton box cars.
24 40-ton high gondolas.
21 20-ton flat wagons.
10 40-ton flat wagons.

TOTAL 182 wagons.

Full particulars may be obtained on application to the Mechanical Engineer, Kowloon Canton Railway Workshops, Hung Hom on the deposit of a fee of \$1,000.00 with the Accountant of the Railway at the Head Office of the Kowloon Canton Railway, which will be refunded on the submission of a bona fide tender. The deposit receipt must be attached to the tender. The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract and give security in the sum of \$5,000.00 in cash to be deposited with the Accountant of the Railway for the faithful performance of the terms of such contract.

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

I. B. TREVOR, Chairman, Railway Tender Board. Kowloon, 31st October, 1946.

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT

Notice of Unclaimed Wrecks.

The following unclaimed wrecks are now lying adjacent to the Government Slipway at Yaumati and will be disposed of if not claimed before the 15th November, 1946.

1. Steel Lighter.
Length 70'-0"
Breadth 20'-0"
Depth 7'-4"
2. Wooden Motor Boat.
Length 31'-6"
Breadth 8'-3"
Depth 3'-11"

Permission to view the wrecks should be obtained from the Superintendent, Engineer, Yaumati Slipway. (Telephone Number 589560)

J. JOLLY, Harbour Master.

Harbour Office, Hongkong, 30th October, 1946.

HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

All members wishing to play in the Annual Lawn Bowls Match with the Society of St. George on 23rd November are requested to send their names before 14th November to Mr. J. McKelvie, Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

D. S. ROBB, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 31st October, 1946.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-fifth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday the 13th November, 1946, at Noon, for the purpose of confirming the appointment of the Board of Directors and receiving their Report together with Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1945, and for the period 1st January, 1942 to 31st December, 1945.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. E. TERRY, Manager & Secretary. Hongkong, 28th October, 1946.

NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME

WE, THE TAI PING STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION CO. LTD. of 24 Connaught Road West, first floor, Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of Change of Ownership we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "KOO SHING" of Hong Kong Official Number 118365 of gross tonnage 2284 tons, register tonnage 1423 tons, heretofore owned by Indo China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. of Hong Kong, for the permission to change her name to "TAIKIN-SHAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by THE TAI PING STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong, this 30th day of October, 1946.

THE TAI PING STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

ISLAMIC UNION.

An Extra-ordinary General Meeting of the above Union will be held at the Cemetery Mosque, Happy Valley, on Sunday, 10th November 1946, at 12 noon.

AGENDA.

1. To receive the report.
2. To consider the future of the Union.
3. Any other business.

Owing to the urgent and important nature of this meeting, all members are earnestly requested to attend.

R. M. OMAR, Chairman.

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 lorry.

At a regular Quiz the other day in Sydney the question was asked, "What is a 'taper'?" Among the audience was a Hong Kong man of means, who promptly sat back with his hands clasped across his paunch. He was again today for the first time since crumbers are other employees want or strike for a 30 per cent wage increase two weeks ago. The demand for higher wages were promptly after arbitration—Deuter.

the objectives will be to improve the economic and social well-being of the people of those territories and to encourage and strengthen cooperation among the four countries in the area. —Reuter.

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Change In Warship Design?

London, Oct. 30. Wing Commander Roland Robinson, Conservative, asked in the House of Commons today whether any change was proposed in the design and construction of British warships following the United States Navy's atom tests.

Mr. John Dugdale, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, told him that these matters were at all times subject to modification "as the result of experience, research and experiment."

The lessons learned from the atom tests would "certainly be used to the full, but a great deal of examination and analysis must take place before these results can be fully appreciated," Mr. Dugdale added.

Asked whether any communication had been received from America indicating whether changes in warship construction were necessary, as a result of the atom tests, Mr. Dugdale said an official report was still awaited in Britain. —Reuter.

AIR ACCIDENTS

London, Oct. 30. An assurance that the causes of accidents to commercial aircraft will be made known as rapidly as possible was given on the Government's behalf in the House of Commons today.

However, technical questions and protraction of investigations might delay publication. —Reuter.

Australian Reply To Molotov Criticism

Marmalade Communists

Seattle, Oct. 30. "The Russians call the Chinese 'Marmalade Communists,'" B. H. Kizer, former UNRRA Director, said in a lecture here, denying there is any contact between the Communists of the two nations.

The former UNRRA Director said that the Chinese Communist Party's present goal is a counterpart of the American farm labour party. But, he added, 95 per cent of the Chinese have no political philosophy and "we must play the part of friend and comrade," as the Chinese struggle toward realization of the democratic ideals of Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

"The warlord system has been overthrown. The idea of a nation has been implanted on China, who is master in her own house and, except for the civil war, the Chinese people are united," Kizer added.

He said that the assignment of American troops to China was "a blunder" but they should be left there as long as General Marshall remains or until peace comes to avoid disturbing the status quo.

Kizer's talk was the first of a series that he will deliver as a Walker Ames Foundation lecturer at the University of Washington. —Associated Press.

U.S. Statement On Disarmament

Flushing Meadow, N.Y., Oct. 30.

Mr. Norman Makin, Australian delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, renewed his attack on the veto when the Assembly resumed today, declaring that the work of the Security Council had justified Australian earlier misgivings. Again and again the veto had been used by one of the permanent members to thwart the will of the majority of the Council.

Mr. Makin also replied directly to M. Vyacheslav Molotov's criticism last night of the delay in establishing a Trusteeship Council.

M. Molotov was not present in Makin's front row seats to hear his reply from the Australian delegation, which, throughout the life of the United Nations, has taken the lead in challenging the prerogatives of the great powers.

Mr. Makin declared that because the Trusteeship agreement must first be approved by the General Assembly, the Council could not have been established earlier.

Australia had suggested the setting up of an interim body which could bridge the gap, but the proposal could not be carried out largely because of opposition from the Soviet Union.

Facts Distorted

Mr. Makin denied an assertion that the states administering non-self-governing countries had taken no special steps towards establishing a trusteeship system. "On the contrary," he said, "the countries which have submitted draft agreements might well receive recognition for this concrete fact in adhering to the principles of the Charter. Yesterday we were told that some countries had started a campaign against the veto rights of the great powers and were warned that this campaign, if successful, would bring about the liquidation of the United Nations."

"This is serious and totally unjustified," he said. "The veto should be used only in important matters of enforcement, Mr. Makin declared. 'To represent this view as a threat to establish domination by one country or a group of countries can only be regarded as a distortion of facts.'

Rubber Stamp

"In view of what we heard yesterday about Soviet proposals we should emphasize that the question of the control of atomic energy is much wider than the question of disarmament. We cannot hold with the view that the Charter would be undermined if proposals such as the Baruch Plan were put into effect."

Mr. Makin continued by saying that the Assembly should not become a mere rubber stamp. The Security Council, he said, has not yet fulfilled the hopes of those who accepted the Charter, while its working has justified some of the fears which members had at San Francisco.

The Assembly then adjourned and when it resumed at 9 p.m. (GMT), the first speaker was the United States Senator Warren Austin who said, in his eagerly awaited speech, that the United States Government was prepared to co-operate fully with all other members of the United Nations in disarmament measures. He advocated effective safeguards to protect states complying with such disarmament against the hazards of violation and evasion. The United States Government, Mr. Austin said, was prepared to make full statements on the number of its armed forces in foreign territories.

Inquiry Into Troops

"The proposed inquiry into the displacement of troops should include all mobilized armed forces whether at home or abroad, Senator Austin urged. "We cannot fight for peace side by side without rearmament. We welcome the confidence expressed by M. Molotov that a unanimous agreement between all nations, both large and small can be achieved on such vital matters as control of atomic energy and steps to lighten the burden of armament and military expenditures which still rest so heavily upon the peoples of the world," Senator Austin declared.

"The United States believes M. Molotov's proposal should be placed on our agenda and fully discussed. The initiative of the Soviet Union in this matter is appropriate because of its mighty armies, just as the initiative of the United States was appropriate in proposing measures preventing the manufacture and use of atomic weapons."

Full Support

"In war, the United States gave our Allies all the help and co-operation a great country could. In peace we will support the United Nations with all the resources we possess. Our motives in war and peace we leave to the judgment of history."

The Assembly then adjourned and most of the delegates due to speak went back to their work of revising their prepared speeches in the light of the outspoken speech by M. Molotov yesterday. The UNO Press Department today was thrown into confusion as all the advanced texts appeared likely to become so much scrap paper when more and more delegates announced their intention of re-writing their speeches. —Reuter.

H.K. SALES OF TIN

London, Oct. 30.

Hong Kong tin merchants are reportedly selling tin on the spot market at between \$575 to \$600 per ton, cost, insurance and freight, as compared with the British controlled export prices of \$380-400 per ton f.o.b. United Kingdom.

Indulgent London tin circles say that sales are being made only to certain countries, anxious for supplies additional to those already allotted under the Combined Tin Committee system. It is also stated that very little of Chinese produced and refined tin is included in these shipments, for which supplies are believed to be from stocks originally smuggled from the Dutch East Indies, Indo-China and Siam, following the defeat of Japan.

While the current Chinese refined tin production is difficult to assess, it is estimated that it is substantially below the pre-war average of 10,000 tons annually. Meanwhile, sellers of Portuguese tin are reportedly asking up to \$750 per ton f.o.b. Lisbon. Recently, this tin fetched about \$510 per ton. —Reuter.

Aung San Threat To Resign

Rangoon, Oct. 30.

It is reliably learned that the Anti-Fascist Peoples Freedom League representatives in the interim Government have requested the Governor, Sir Hubert Rance, to expand the Executive Council to 15 members in order to efficiently carry out the rehabilitation of the country.

Major-General Aung San and his colleagues, it is reported, have threatened to resign en bloc if the demand is not conceded by the Governor.

The Burmese press today quote General Aung San as having declared that he "will continue to serve the country from outside as before."

Official quarters neither confirmed nor denied the report. The "Economist," a Burmese daily, in an editorial urged General Aung San to visit India to study the organisation and working of the Indian Interim Government and discuss Indo-Burmese problems with Pandit Nehru.

The paper added that more intimate relations between India and Burma are essential, especially as the Muslim League has now joined the Interim Government. —Reuter.

Terrorists Bomb Railway Station

Jerusalem, Oct. 30.

Three bombs exploded at Jerusalem railway station this afternoon. British troops and police were rushed to emergency stations and a motor-cyclist stated to be carrying explosives was arrested.

The explosion occurred 20 minutes after a surprise identity check of pedestrians and cars had been carried out by British troops in the neighbourhood of the station.

A British police constable was killed while examining a "suit-case bomb" in the station cloakroom after the explosions, and police and British troops are now searching the rubble of the partially wrecked railway station for further casualties.

The explosions started a haze and sent smoke clouds spiralling a hundred feet in the air.

According to unconfirmed reports four wounded Jews—three men and a girl—were captured about half a mile from the railway station, after an exchange of shots with British troops.

It is believed that a terrorist gun-girl slipped past the Arab policemen on guard at the station and held up the railway clerk at pistol point, to deposit a suitcase with a bomb in it, in the waiting room of the station.

The girl then leapt into a taxi upon which the police opened fire with automatic weapons.

A Reuters report from Tel-Aviv states that a British Army jeep was blown up by a landmine near Raasana in the coastal plain of Sharon, north of Tel-Aviv just before midnight yesterday.

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Bevin Keeps In Touch

London, Oct. 30.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is maintaining daily contact with the Foreign Office from the liner Aquitania, on which he is travelling to the United States to attend the Council of Foreign Ministers and the United Nations General Assembly, the Foreign Office stated today.

It was added that Mr. Bevin was being informed of the text of all telegrams received from the British Embassy in Cairo, which relate to the discussions he had last week with Ismail Sidky Pasha, the Egyptian Premier on revision of the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian treaty. —Reuter.

SNOW IN U.S.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 31.

Early snows and rains which drenched Utah and Nevada three days, retarded sugar beet harvesting and possibly caused extensive damage to crops throughout the western United States. —Associated Press.

Mr. Tan Has A Busy Time In London

(By Bernard Hickley)

London, Oct. 30.

Mr. P. S. Tan, Chinese Consul-General in London, is a man with minor worries as well as major responsibilities and his office in the West End of London can be described as a "clearing house" for dealing with many varied problems affecting the Chinese community in many parts of the world.

In addition to assisting Chinese citizens who find themselves in difficulty in Britain, the Consul-General's office deals with Anglo-Chinese trade problems, passports and visas and assists Chinese nationals, who, largely through ignorance, infringe British laws.

Mr. Tan told me today that the work of his office was greatly increased by the ignorance of British law on the part of many Chinese visitors, particularly students.

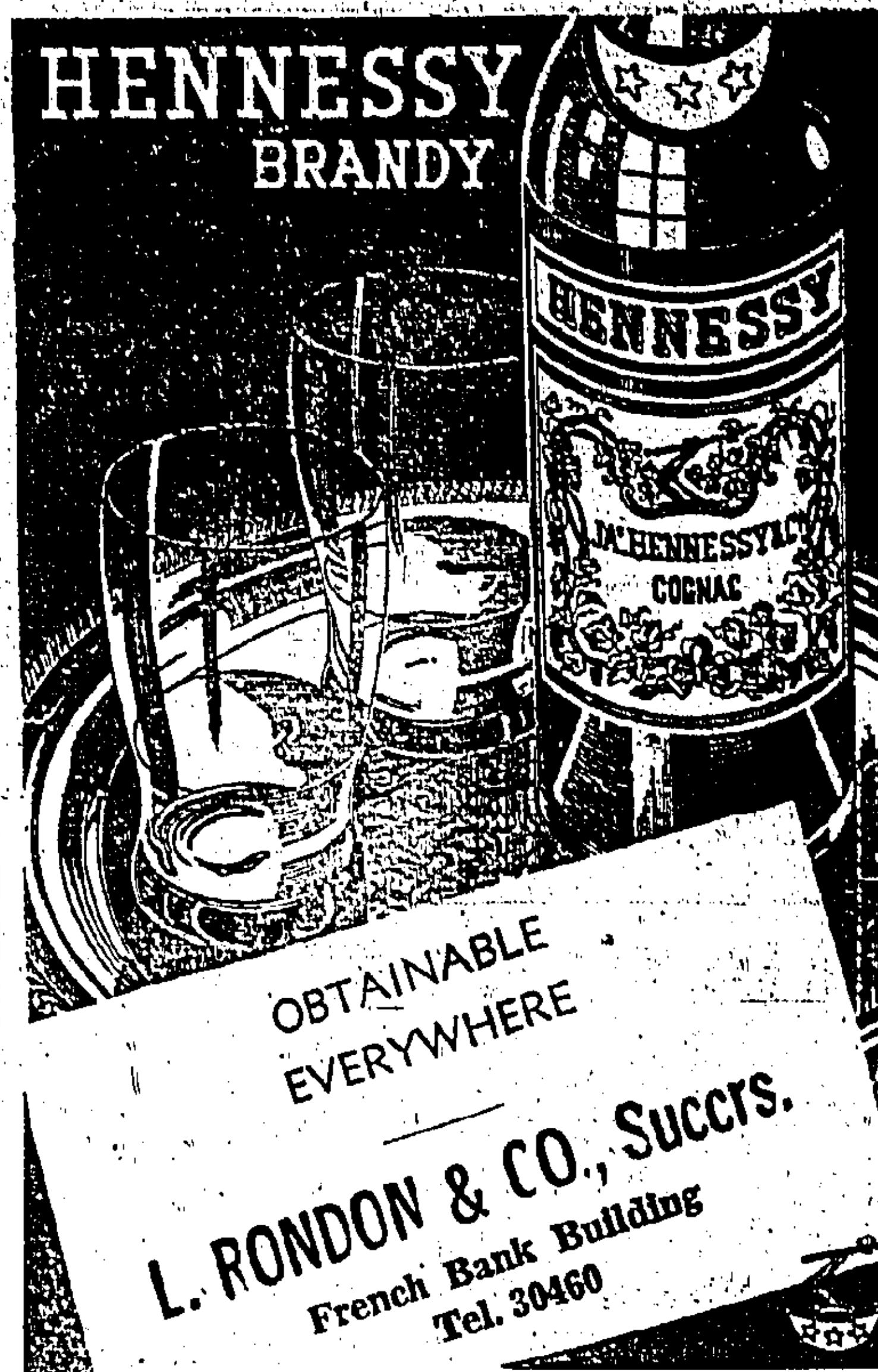
He outlined two typical cases which go to show this ignorance. The first case was of some Chinese musicians from the continent. Their passports were all in order and there seemed no logical reason why they should be refused permission but they and the Chinese authorities who cleared them from the continent had overlooked an important point—there is a ban on foreign music hall artistes entering this country.

However, as a result of friendly consultations and representations with various departments of the British Government, everything ended happily and they came ashore.

Another instance outlined by Mr. Tan concerned a Chinese medical student who had come to this country to study at one of London's hospitals.

This young man had changed his lodgings and gone to stay with some fellow students, but had failed to notify the police of his change of address, there-

by infringing British law. The result was a summons served on the offender. —Reuter.



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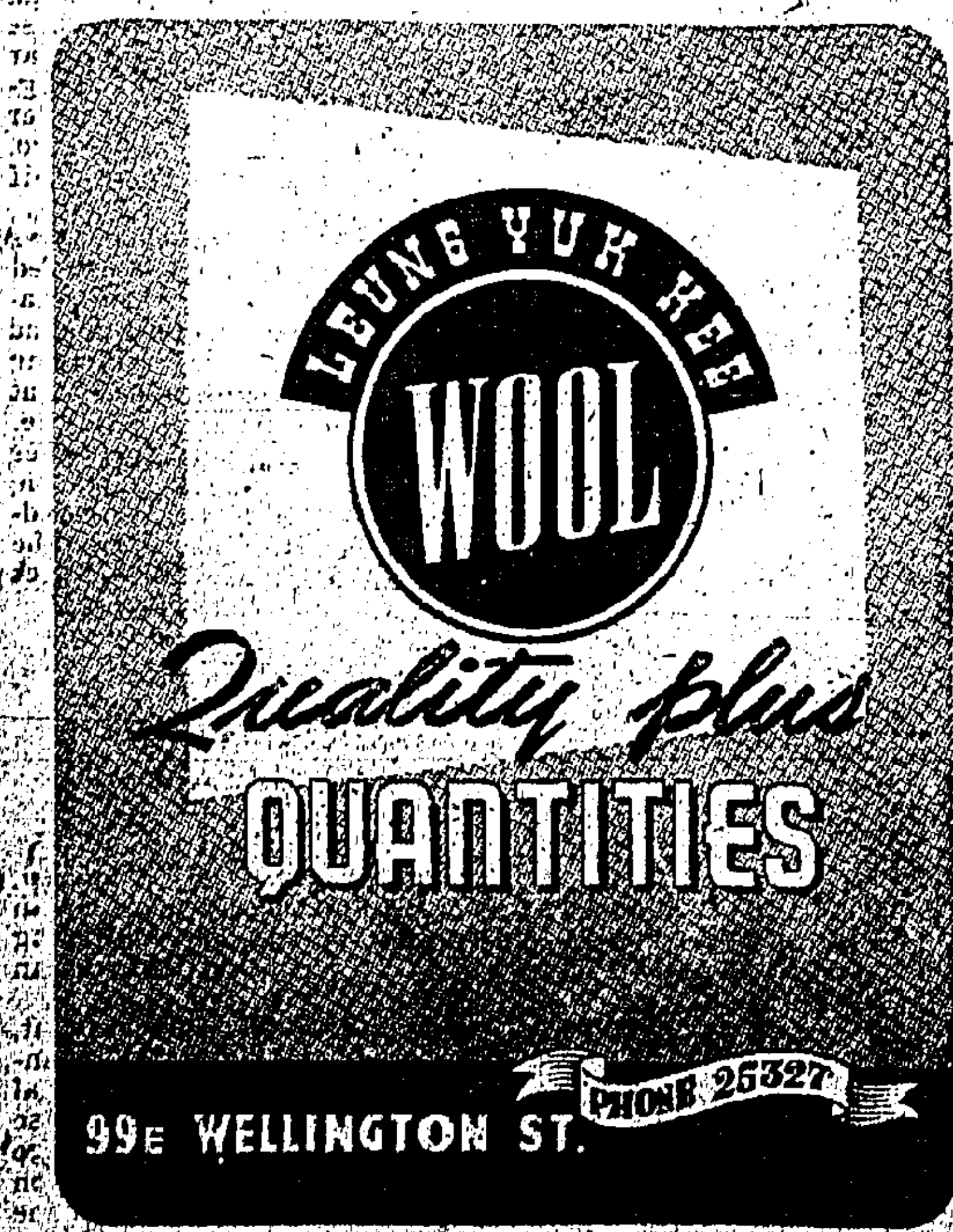
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REGIONAL DEFENCE SYSTEM ADVOCATED FOR MIDDLE EAST

No Big Imports Expected

Manchester, Oct. 30. Although the Government is now willing to licence cotton and rayon yarn imports from anywhere, neither the Government nor trade expected large imports since supplies are scarce throughout the world.

Imports are unlikely to affect cotton spinning, or weaving but may slightly help other yarn consumers.

Prices of imported yarn are likely to be too high for the controlled prices of most cloths but may be fitted into the price structure for some less essential purposes.

Allocating the inadequate yarn supply among many claimants is a very difficult task. Both production and consumption are tending to revert to the pre-war pattern, for example, a proportion of finer yarns tending to be restored, which checks the increase in yarn tonnage output.

Of the 180 spinning mills closed under the wartime concentration scheme, 129 have been licensed to resume. The scarcity of labour handicaps the reopening of the others and prevents full working in nearly all mills.—Reuter.

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London, Oct. 31. Lord Altrincham, opening a foreign affairs debate in the House of Lords yesterday, advocated a regional defence system in the Middle East based on a "partnership" of Britain, the Arab states and Egypt.

Lord Altrincham declared that "if the United States continues to claim to dictate immigration in Palestine regardless of facts the only course for us is to return the mandate to the United Nations."

Lord Altrincham, formerly Sir Edward Grigg, served as Resident Minister to the Middle East in 1944 and 1945.

He said he hoped for negotiations toward the suggested partnership for Middle East administration which would be "in conformity with the United Nations."

He expressed the gravest anxiety about the confusion which, he said, seemed to have entered into the Egyptian discussions in the last few days for reasons which he did not understand.

"It is difficult to grasp the distinction which is apparently made between conversations and negotiations, more particularly since the Egyptian Prime Minister does not appear to appreciate it himself."

Lord Altrincham added: "I accept the Prime Minister's assurances on the general purport of these discussions absolutely. It is obviously the case that Egypt has a claim to equal status with the Sudan, which is a condominium. It is equally true that Egypt has been responsible for considerable expenditure in the Sudan."

Solid Claim

"Both those considerations from the propinquity of history give Egypt very solid claim to recognition as equal partner in the condominium. But Britain has spent life and treasure, too. She was responsible, with Egyptian help, for the original reconquest of the Sudan, for its long period of years, for its defence in the war—a defence which Britain conducted entirely at the cost of the British Empire, not of Egypt, in treasure and life.

"We are linked to the Sudan by a responsibility from which we cannot abdicate until the Sudan itself by the wish of its inhabitants chooses self-government. I am glad, therefore,

London, Oct. 31.

Sarawak Protests

A letter, protesting against the cession of Sarawak and urging that the King should be asked to revoke it, has been addressed to Sir Charles Arden Clarke on his arrival at Kuching for his installation as Sarawak's first Governor.

The letter was sent from Abang Haji Abdillah Datu, Patinggi, senior native chieftain and Abang Haji Baimi, President of the Malay National Union in Sarawak, who between them claim the representation of 380,000 of the 500,000 population.

The letter says: "The Rajah, Sir Charles Brooke, has sought to cede Sarawak to the British Crown by employing the 1941 constitution to his own advantage."

"There was no justice in this act which constitutes a breach of faith with the people. Acceptance by His Majesty's Government of such a concession is not valid and such an act is not only inconsistent with the constitution but a breach of international law. The cession was not agreed to by the majority of the people."

"We trust that His Majesty's Government will bring the matter to the notice of His Majesty the King so that he may revoke the cession by the exercise of the powers conferred on him by Clause 4 of the Sarawak Cession Order-in-Council of June 26, 1946."—Reuter.

No At-Bomb Agreement

Seattle, Oct. 30. The United States will probably not reach an agreement with Russia on the atomic bomb, former Commerce Secretary Wallace declared today, as long as Russia believes that "we, under the guise of international security, are preventing full peacetime utilisation of atomic energy."

"Addressing a University of Washington student audience Wallace said that the United States was in a position of 'holding the bomb over their heads.' Later, to newsmen he said that the best way to allay Russian fears would be the appointment of Chairman Lillenthal of Tennessee Valley authority to head the Atomic Energy Commission.

(President Truman almost simultaneously announced in Washington Lillenthal's appointment as head of the Commission.)—Associated Press.

BAKERS PROTEST

Paris, Oct. 30. About 4,000 bakers in Paris and 48,000 in the provinces closed their shops this afternoon as a protest against the poor quality of flour.

The strike in Paris and most of the provinces will last for the rest of the day.—Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE

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Clues Across
3. Yields music.
8. Apartment.
9. Clement.
11. Piece of jewellery.
13. Island.
16. Angry.
19. Evening.
10. Dungeon.
21. Container for wine.
23. Skiff.
24. Demagogue.
27. Complete.

Yesterday's Crossword
ACROSS: 1. Concur; 4. Terse; 7. Discover; 8. Naive; 9. Repair; 11. Supreme; 13. Baronet; 15. Titter; 18. Carat; 19. Terrible; 20. Tilt; 21. Dreads.
DOWN: 1. Cider; 2. Cocoa; 3. Reverse; 4. Turnip; 5. Resident; 6. Fable; 10. Portrait; 12. Uttered; 13. Bucket; 14. Nettle; 16. Trite; 17. Recs.

Clues Down
4. Self.
7. Arrive at a station.
8. Stagger.
9. Hilda.
10. Channel.
12. Extent.
14. Deposit.
16. Cut in two.
17. Daily.
19. Punctuation mark.
20. Endures.
21. Valley.
22. Coagulation.
23. Neat.
24. Course.

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